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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W., Room TW-325
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of Qwest Corporation for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. § 160(c) in the Omaha Metropolitan Statistical Area, WC Docket No. 04-223
Submission of Acknowledgement Concerning Compliance with Protective Order

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In accordance with the procedures outlined in the Protective Order adopted on June 25, 2004 in the above referenced proceeding,¹ I am submitting herewith a copy of the Acknowledgement of Confidentiality executed by William H. Courter, Assistant General Counsel, McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. to obtain access to the confidential materials of Cox Communications, Inc., and Qwest Corporation in the above referenced proceeding.

The above referenced parties have been served, via hand delivery and facsimile with this letter and signed Acknowledgement of Confidentiality. Please do not hesitate to call me at (202) 424-7500 if any questions should arise in connection with this submission.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

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¹ In the Matter of Petition of Qwest Corporation for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 160(c) in the Omaha Metropolitan Statistical Area, WC Docket No. 04-223, Protective Order, 19 F.C.C. Rcd 11377 (2004).

ATTACHMENT A

WC DOCKET NO. 04-223

I have received a copy of the Protective Order in WC Docket No. 04-223. I have read the order and agree to comply with and be bound by the terms and conditions of this Protective Order. The signatory understands, in particular, that unauthorized disclosure, or the use of the information for competitive commercial or business purposes, will constitute a violation of this Protective Order.

SIGNATURE:



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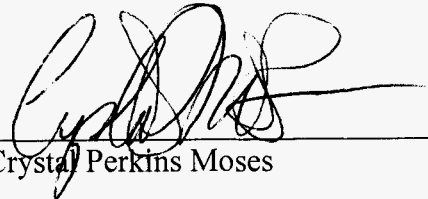
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Crystal Perkins Moses, do hereby certify that on this 19th day of September, 2005, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Acknowledgement by delivering copies thereof via hand-delivery and facsimile to the following:

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